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Remarks

The specification and claims 1, 2, 16 and 18 have been amended, and claim 19, 21 and 22 have been canceled. Review and reconsideration in light of the amendments and the remarks below are respectfully requested.

The Abstract has been amended to address the objection thereto.

Claims 1 and 15-18 are rejected as being anticipated by U.S. Pat. No. 938,427 to Malocsay. Claims 23-29 are allowed, and claims 2-14, 19 and 20 are indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 19, and claim 19 has been canceled.

Claim 2 has been rewritten in independent form.

Claim 16 has been rewritten into independent form, and further amended. In particular claim 16 now specifies that the cover is movably coupled to the housing such that the cover is movable relative to the housing only in a pivotable movement about a single fixed axis. In contrast, the car door 3 of the Malocsay reference is movable about multiple pivot points/axes (i.e. at each corner of the roughly triangular-shaped track 141) or could also have movement that is considered translative.

Claim 18 has also been rewritten into independent form. Claim 18 has been rejected on the basis that the pivot plank 147 and bolts 148 of the Malocsay reference allegedly correspond to the claimed movement-allowing/movement blocking means. However, claim 18 specifies that the track "includes" the claimed means. In contrast, the pivot plank 147 and bolts 148 of the Malocsay reference appear to be entirely spaced away from the track 141, and do not appear to be part of the track. Thus it is submitted that claim 18 defines over the Malocsay reference.

Thus, in sum, it is submitted that the application is in a condition for allowance, and a formal notice thereof is respectfully solicited.

The applicant(s) hereby authorizes the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3) to treat any paper that is filed in this application which requires an extension of time as incorporating a request for such an extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge

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any additional fees which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 20-0809.

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